

# CARDINAL RAYS

Newsletter of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists

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## ***KRIS' K-SPACE***

Hi all!

I'm a podcast nerd and recently stumbled onto "Daily Dad Jokes" - all dad jokes, all the time. The jokes are terrible, but not terrible enough that I won't share a couple with you. <clears throat>

Q: What is the best way to fix a broken pumpkin?

A: A pumpkin patch!

Q: When winter arrives, what happens?

A: Autumn leaves

I can hear your groans! I told you they were terrible 😊

While we're on the topic of fall, it's almost time for our Annual Meeting! I hope you'll join us on September 20 & 21 at Zane State College in Zanesville. The Annual Meeting Committee has been busy planning an awesome meeting with many interesting speakers. I'll be speaking on my specialty, MR safety and discussing several recent adverse events in MRI. **Registration is open now - avoid the \$50 late fee by registering before September 9.**

<https://www.osrt.org/2024-annual-meeting>

## **KRIS' K-SPACE**

Our Membership Committee is holding a membership drive in conjunction with Annual Meeting registration. New OSRT members will be entered into a drawing to win one of three VISA gift cards. Current members who refer new members will also be entered to win. This promotion runs now through September 9. <https://www.osrt.org/memberships#membership-renewal-form-current-members>

President-elect Allison Stokes is busy putting her committees together for the 2024-2025 year. If you'd like to become more involved, let us know, and we will sign you up. We have several committee opportunities, so there's bound to be something that piques your interest.

<https://www.osrt.org/about-us#osrt-seeks-volunteers-an-avenue-to-get-involved->

If you're interested in getting involved nationally, nominations for ASRT chapter delegates and officers are now open. Ohio has a history of strong representation nationally, so you'll be in good hands. Contact Quest Folck, Nominating Committee Chair, for more information. [questfolck@gmail.com](mailto:questfolck@gmail.com)

Every 10 years, the federal government's Office of Management and Budget evaluates and reclassifies employment positions as technical or professional. Last week, we were notified that the public comment period was open for the current review. Many OSRT members submitted letters of support for radiologic technologists being classified as professional rather than technical. The OSRT also submitted a letter of support, which can be found here: <https://www.osrt.org/news/815-osrt-president-addresses-the-omb-rt-job-classification>

The OSRT would like to welcome all students returning to or beginning their medical imaging educational journeys this fall. You have a wealth of knowledge and a ton of support from technologists here in Ohio. We're excited for you and can't wait to see what you can do!

Finally, this will be my last Kris' K-space as I wrap up my term as OSRT President. It truly has been an honor to serve the technologists of Ohio - and I'm not just saying that. It has been an HONOR. The OSRT has a long history of advocacy for our membership and profession, and it's been exciting to see how everyone works together. I'll be transitioning to Junior Chair of the Board and leaving the OSRT in the very capable hands of President Allison Stokes. Tiffany Roman will join us as President-elect, Julie Gill will be our Senior Chair and current Senior Chair Gary Greathouse will complete his term on the Board. I want to thank Gary for his leadership and guidance. He's been a wonderful friend and mentor, and we hope he returns to the Board soon.

That's all for now, friends - talk to you soon at the Annual Meeting!



OSRT PRESIDENT

**Kristin Seitz**

# THANK YOU

*Kris*

# Annual Meeting

## September 20-21

### Registration deadline is Sept. 9!

- Register at [www.osrt.org](http://www.osrt.org) or scan the QR code
- After September 9, 2024, a late registration fee of \$50.00 will be assessed.
- Meals cannot be guaranteed for onsite registrants.



### Registration Fees

#### Registered Radiologic Technologists/GXMOs

##### OSRT Members

- \$100 Entire Session
- \$50 One-day

##### OSRT Non-Members

- \$150 Entire Session
- \$75 One-day

#### Payment Options

- Online Payments via credit cards: American Express, Discover, Master Card, Visa, or your PayPal account
- Pay later by Check or Money Order made payable to the OSRT. Mail to:  
OSRT Executive Secretary  
325 Lake Vista Dr.  
Zanesville, OH 43701
- Payments received after September 9, will be charged the late fee.

#### Students

- \$50 Entire Session

#### Optional Events - Pre-registration Required

- \$20 Rose Fitz Luncheon
- \$25 Francine Todd Memorial Honors Reception

#### NOTE

- Out-of-state radiologic technologists and students who hold memberships in a state society receive reciprocity and may pay OSRT member fees. Your membership card can be uploaded when registering for the meeting.
- Students in a primary program will not receive continuing education (CE) credits. Students in a post-primary program must register as a technologist.



# MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

**JOIN  
NOW**

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NOW**

**Ends September 9!**



-or-



## **New Members**

Become a new member of the OSRT to be entered for a chance to win one of three \$125 Visa Gift cards!

## **Referral Drawing for Current Members**

Refer a New Member for a chance to win one of three \$100 Visa Gift cards!

# NATIONAL RAD TECH WEEK!

It's almost time for National Radiologic Technology Week! Celebrate with OSRT social media November 3-9, 2024. We will have daily contests, opportunities to network with other technologists, AND **PRIZES!** Anyone can comment, like, and share, but to be eligible to win, you must be a member of the OSRT. Not a member yet? Check out our membership drive for another opportunity to win prizes.

So that you can prepare, here's some info on our daily NRTW contests:

**Memory Monday** – tell us about your favorite or most embarrassing memory from school or your early career.

**Thoughtful Tuesday** - post a thoughtful tip for students and new techs.

**Wacky Wednesday** - post something that you can't live without on the job/at clinical that your coworkers/classmates think is just weird.

**Selfie Thursday** - let's see those smiling faces! Post a selfie of you with your classmates or work crew.

**Fun Fact Friday** - drop some knowledge on us and share a fun fact about your (or your future) modality – the weirder the



# CALL FOR ASRT DELEGATE NOMINATIONS

Are you interested in representing Ohio as an ASRT Chapter Delegate? The OSRT is looking for Chapter Delegates in the following modalities:

Bone Densitometry  
Cardiac and Vascular  
Interventional  
Computed Tomography  
Education  
Magnetic Resonance  
Mammography  
Management

Medical Dosimetry  
Military  
Nuclear Medicine  
Quality Management  
Radiation Therapy  
Radiography  
Registered Radiologist Assistant  
Sonography

Qualifications include:

- A voting member of the ASRT for two years immediately preceding the nomination
- A member of the OSRT for two years preceding the nomination
- Current OSRT member
- Served as an officer, delegate, or an elected or appointed ASRT position or served as an officer on the OSRT Board of Directors OR as a committee member for the OSRT
- Hold credentials if your chapter (modality) offers certification or post-primary examinations.

If you meet these qualifications, please contact [osrt@osrt.org](mailto:osrt@osrt.org)

**LEARN MORE**





# Student Spot!

Student Cardinal Rays



Hello Everyone!

I hope you all had a great summer! I love the fall, and it is one of my favorite seasons, so I would be lying if I said that my mind hadn't already shifted to thinking it was fall. I'm sure most of you are starting school again with fall coming up. I wish you the best of luck; graduation will be here soon! One of my favorite memories from school was starting my second year, as I realized how quickly it was going and how close I was to the finish line!

Some great things are coming up with the OSRT! The OSRT Annual Meeting is coming up on September 20th and 21st! There will be many opportunities for CEs and a great opportunity to network and connect with those in your profession! You have until September 9th to register before there is a \$50 late fee. I highly recommend attending, as it will be a great learning experience and an amazing opportunity to network!

Another amazing opportunity for you, as students, would be volunteering on a committee, as they are another amazing way to network with experienced professionals!

There are two opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills: the ASRT Student to Leader Development Program (SLDP) and the OSRT Student Director program. Information about these great opportunities can be found on the pages below.

Have a great rest of your summer!

Respectively,

**PARKER**

Parker Bishop  
Student Director  
student@osrt.org

**If you are a newly certified technologist, remember to renew your OSRT membership! You will now be an active member, which allows you to vote, serve on a committee, and run for the Board of Directors! Renewing is easy, and there are multiple options. [Click here](#) for more information and to renew!**





Applications for the 2025 ASRT Student to Leadership Development Program (SLDP) will be accepted from August 1 - November 15, 2024. Selected students will participate in the 3-year program and learn valuable leadership skills with the ASRT and OSRT, attend the ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting (June 2025), and have excellent networking opportunities.

Students can apply directly on the [ASRT SLDP page](#)

**Application requirements include:**

- Currently enrolled in an accredited medical imaging or radiation therapy program.
- Current ASRT student member.
- Proof of current ASRT affiliate membership ,excluding Military applicants.
- Completed application and essay.
- Signed letter of recommendation from your program director.

**Selected participants receive:**

- Airfare, housing, and a stipend for meals and other travel expenses.
- An educational program designed just for students.
- An insider's look into the world's largest association for medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals.
- Expanded opportunities for professional growth.
- Three years of continuing SLDP opportunities.

Contact the OSRT Executive Office at [osrt@osrt.org](mailto:osrt@osrt.org) with questions.

# OSRT STUDENT DIRECTOR *Program*

The OSRT's commitment to student professional growth and development is demonstrated through the OSRT Student Director Program. The selected Student Director serves as an official voting member of the Board of Directors. The board strongly believes that students are future leaders, and the OSRT has a responsibility to help cultivate them.

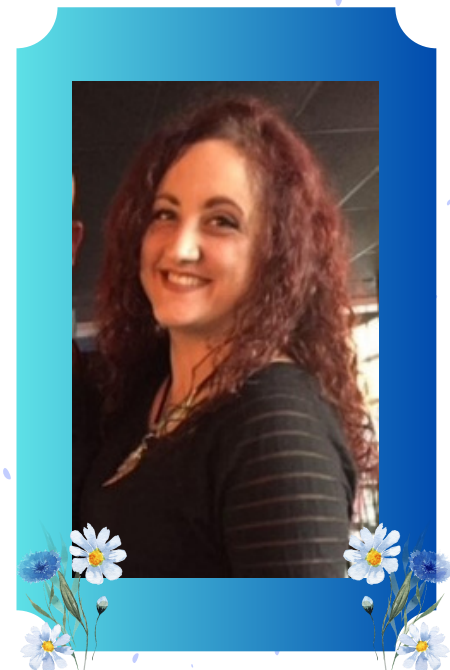
This program is open to OSRT student members in their first year of a primary imaging or therapy program. One student will be selected as a board member from April 2025 to April 2026. This period of service helps to facilitate strong relationships, a fundamental understanding of organizational operations, enhanced leadership skills, and a commitment to continued service to the profession. The selected student will also attend the OSRT Leadership Academy in June 2025.

**The application period will soon open.** Look for more details on the OSRT website, social media, and the next issue of Cardinal Rays.

Serving as Student Director with the OSRT added so much to my experience as a student. As cliché as it may sound, it made me feel like I was a part of something bigger than just being in my program's bubble and going through the motions until I reached graduation. It allowed me so many additional positive experiences – opportunities that my classmates did not have. I would highly encourage any imaging student who is even slightly considering applying for the Student Leader position to do so. I also encourage the students who may not want to serve in the leadership role to get involved with the OSRT in some form or fashion. There are many different committees that would welcome the contributions and ideas from current imaging students.

If any students are interested but might have other questions, please feel free to contact me directly. I'd be happy to chat!

***jessbates1206@gmail.com***



**Jessica Bates, R.T.(R)(CT)**

2018 Student Director  
Full-time Faculty  
Sinclair Community College

# Meet The Board

## ft. Devin Johnson



HELLO EVERYONE!

MY NAME IS DEVIN JOHNSON AND I SERVE AS THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR AT THE CLEVELAND CLINIC MERCY HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY. I WAS A GRADUATE OF THE PROGRAM IN 2008 AND HAVE SINCE FILLED CLINICAL ROLES AS A REGISTERED CT & MRI TECHNOLOGIST. I RECENTLY COMPLETED MY MASTER'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT THROUGH YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY. I CURRENTLY SERVE ON THE OSRT'S MARKETING AND SALES COMMITTEE AND HAVE PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON THE QUIZ BOWL COMMITTEE. I BECAME INVOLVED WITH THE OSRT THANKS TO THE LATE AND LOVED CHRISTINE GIALOUSIS WHO GUIDED ME TO THE POSITION ON THE BOARD WHEN A DIRECTOR AT LARGE WAS NEEDED.

THE GREATEST STRENGTH I'VE FOUND AS A MEMBER OF THE OSRT IS THE MENTORSHIP AND COMRADERY THAT I'VE RECEIVED FROM THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE HELPED ME TREMENDOUSLY DURING MY TENURE AS A NEW PROGRAM DIRECTOR. DURING THIS TERM, I HOPE TO CONTINUE TO HELP IMPLEMENT OUR STRATEGIC PLAN, BOOST MEMBERSHIP, AND BOOST ENGAGEMENT. I PLAN TO VOLUNTEER WITH THE OSRT FOR MANY YEARS TO COME EVEN WHEN MY TIME ON THE BOARD HAS ELAPSED. IN MY FREE TIME, I'M A PROFESSIONAL TOURING MUSICIAN WITH AN INDIE ROCK BAND FROM CANTON CALLED 'ANYA VAN ROSE'.



Meet The Board Continued...

THE OSRT MEMBERS ARE TRULY SOME OF THE MOST WONDERFUL PEOPLE THAT I COULD EVER IMAGINE COLLABORATING WITH, AND I AM VERY LUCKY TO CALL THEM MY FRIENDS. I LOVE BEING AN EDUCATOR AND I LOVE BEING A BOARD MEMBER AND I CAN'T UNDERSTATE HOW GRATEFUL I AM FOR EVERYONE THAT'S TOUCHED MY LIFE AS A MEMBER OF THIS WONDERFUL SOCIETY.

-Devin

To learn More about Devin and  
the OSRT Visit:  
[www.osrt.org](http://www.osrt.org)



## ***Foundation Corner***

The OSRT Education and Research Foundation Trustees look forward to seeing our fellow technologists and therapists at the Annual Meeting this month in Zanesville!! We are excited to be able to award two (2) technologist grants at this meeting and hope to have at least one (1) RT case study for our competition. Thank you to all technologists, therapists, associate members, and students who generously donated to the Foundation to make it possible for us to award these grants and competition prizes.

We will have a great raffle prize at the Annual Meeting, so make sure you stop by the Foundation table to get your tickets. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, so someone will go home with a little extra cash. 😊

You can also make online donations throughout the year. Donations can be any size, and every donation assists us in supporting students, registered technologists, and therapists in the state of Ohio. Through the generous donations from our members, the ERF was able to award eight (8) grants to deserving students last spring totaling \$2,800.00. We will be able to award \$1,600.00 of grants to technologists at the Annual Meeting. Please help us continue to support our members in Ohio in the future.

If you have questions or would be interested in information about joining our Board of Trustees, we encourage you to contact any of the Foundation Trustees.



# ***Foundation Corner***

## **Pay It Forward**

Would you like the opportunity to help others in your profession? If so, please consider donating to the OSRT Education and Research Foundation. Donating to the OSRTERF will allow medical imaging professionals to excel in clinical, administrative, and educational settings.

This also allows individuals to apply for the opportunity to conduct research vital to improving patient care and advancing imaging professionals. You can make an online donation, or if you have questions, feel free to contact a representative on the Foundation Board. Donations may be small or large; we are just happy you are willing to help!



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# **2025 Student & Educator Symposium**

**April 10-11**

**Hilton Columbus/Polaris**

## **CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

**PROPOSAL DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1**

We are accepting presentation proposals, so please consider sharing your expertise with OSRT members and beyond. To submit a proposal, please email the following information to [osrt@osrt.org](mailto:osrt@osrt.org).

- Name,
  - academic credentials,
  - the title of the presentation,
  - presentation description, and
  - 3-5 learning outcomes.
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- Topics to include student reviews for Image Production, Safety, Patient Care, and Procedures; educator topics like writing exam questions, advising for student success, or new technologies to assist learning; and general topics such as pathology, effective communication, and advocacy.



# STUDENT & EDUCATOR SYMPOSIUM

**APRIL 10-11, 2025**  
**Hilton Columbus/Polaris**

OSRT Student and Educator Symposium (SES) will be here before you know it, and we would love to see you there! The symposium is focused on information related to educators and students. However, all are welcome. **If you are a technologist looking for continuing education, the Annual Meeting is September 20-21. You still have time to register!**

At the 2025 SES, the student track will provide presentations specifically designed to cover the four content specification areas of the ARRT Radiography certification exam, a clinical case study presentation competition, an online mock certification exam, a team Quiz Bowl competition, and a party! Those who score in the top three clinical case study presentation submission scores will be invited to deliver their presentation face-to-face at the Symposium so that first, second, and third place can be determined.

The educator track will provide presentations on a variety of different topics, chosen to enhance the classroom, lab, and learning environment.

Meet new colleagues, learn new things, and have a great time! We look forward to seeing you in Columbus in April!

## EVENTS

CERTIFICATION  
EXAM REVIEW



CLINICAL CASE  
STUDY  
PRESENTATION  
COMPETITION



QUIZ BOWL  
COMPETITION



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### *Student Liasion*

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

All are welcome to attend the Board of Directors meetings. **They are free to attend, but pre-registration is required.** Please contact the OSRT Executive Secretary for more information or to register.

- **Thursday, September 19, 2024**  
In-person at Zane State College
- **Saturday, October 19, 2024**  
Virtual via Zoom
- **Saturday, February 22, 2025**  
Virtual via Zoom
- **Wednesday, April 9, 2025**  
In-person at Hilton Columbus Polaris

## IS IT YOUR TIME TO RENEW?

Don't forget to renew your OSRT membership! Look on your membership e-card or contact the Executive Secretary to see when it is your time to renew.



Renewal notifications will be sent via email before your membership expiration. Make sure to not miss these emails by setting the OSRT email as a trusted sender, so our emails don't end up in your junk folder. Also, be sure that the email you are using is the email in your member profile.

Why renew? Well, why not! OSRT membership has many benefits, including professional advocacy, discounted rates for CE opportunities, networking, scholarships, and volunteer opportunities. For more information, check out our [membership benefits](#).

## In Memorium...

*Pamela Metsker*



The OSRT is saddened to hear of the passing of Pamela Metsker of Grove City, Ohio.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The OSRT is a very active organization with many volunteer opportunities for its members. It is a valuable way to give back to the profession and share your knowledge and skills with colleagues. Individuals are able to contribute time and skill sets to support the mission of the OSRT and the OSRT Education and Research Foundation.

The OSRT is putting out a call for volunteers for the October 2024-September 2025 term.

Information about volunteering, committee descriptions, and who to contact if interested can be found on the OSRT [Volunteer page](#).

# GET SOCIAL!

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## OSRT VISION

To promote clinical excellence  
in radiologic technology

## OSRT MISSION

We advocate for radiologic  
technologists by advancing  
professional practice to  
enhance patient care.

## From the Editor

Thank you for taking the time to read this issue of Cardinal Rays! I appreciate any feedback that you have about Cardinal Rays. What information would you like to read about? Let me know!

*Lauren Huffman*

Cardinal Rays Editor



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